

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 840

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Tara Renee Newsom on her selection as the 2002 Salutatorian of Gleason High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those students who, through their natural talents and unwavering commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Tara Renee Newsom is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, her persistence and hard work have earned her recognition as the Salutatorian of the 2002 graduating class at Gleason High School; and

WHEREAS, through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Tara Renee Newsom has achieved remarkable academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Newsom has compiled an outstanding grade point average; and

WHEREAS, a well-rounded individual and a sterling scholar, she has been a valuable participant in many programs and clubs at Gleason High School, including the Beta Club and

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, both of which she served with industry as Vice-President, the Science Club, the G-Club, the Student Council, the Family Career and Community Leaders of America, and the GHS Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS, Tara Renee Newsom has served her school and her classmates with distinction as Senior Class Vice-President, and as the Science Club Student Council Representative; and

WHEREAS, she evinces her robust Christian faith as a member of the First Baptist Church of Sharon, where she assists the Church body as a Children's Church Worker, as a member of the Church Nominating Committee, and as a member of the Youth Group; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Newsom will continue her education this fall through the auspices of the Salutatorian Scholarship and the Board of Trustees Scholarship, both awarded by the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she plans to major in Pre-Physical Therapy; and

WHEREAS, Tara Renee Newsom epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; in an age where the youth of our country face great challenges, we can proudly state without equivocation that she represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, she is the daughter of proud parents, Larry and Judy Newsom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Newsom is an incredible source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Tara Renee Newsom's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Gleason High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor 2002 Gleason High School Salutatorian, Tara Renee

Newsom, for her many academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.